### NORTHWEST WASHINGTON INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM (NWIMT)





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### WHAT IS AN IMT?



Incident Management Teams (IMTs) are designed to ASSIST local emergency services and SUPPORT unusually large, complex, or long-term emergency incidents, when REQUESTED.

### WHAT IS AN ALL-HAZARDS IMT?



- Team of Emergency services personnel
- •From all disciplines to handle all hazards
- •TRAINED for Command and General staff functions
- Part of the National Incident Management
   System (NIMS)



#### TYPES OF IMT'S

Type 1 = National

Type 2 = State

Type 3 = Regional

Type 4/5 = Local



NWIMT is a Regional (Type 3) team that will provide services to the following Counties: Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom

The NWIMT is one of 9 pilot teams that are national assets. Because of this, deployment could take place to other areas of the U.S.







### SERVICES OF AN IMT



- Assist in control and containment of the incident
- Provide logistics support to the incident (food, sanitation, housing, transportation, facilities, base camp setup, etc.)
- Provide communications plans and systems
- Provide time records for personnel and equipment (CONTINUES ON NEXT SLIDE)

## SERVICES OF AN IMT (CONTINUED)



- Provide safety measures for the incident
- Provide operational support and expertise
- Arrange for additional manpower and equipment that might be needed
- Provide conduit for Public Information



# WHY A TEAM FOR NORTHWEST WASHINGTON?

- We have been in existence since 2007
- Local/regional jurisdictions need capability to handle large emergencies within National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- Additional emergency support needed for entities within the region
- Expenses and resources need to be shared
- Regional approach is aligned with homeland security and other grant funding mechanisms

## GOAL OF NWIMT



 Be a readily available, competent regional team to support NW Washington upon request that can respond to "all hazards" incidents with up to 34 members skilled in the various disciplines

### CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE

- 9 member Board of Directors
  - Representatives from Fire, Police, Public Works, Public Health, Emergency Management, IT, Finance/Administration and EMS
  - From agencies throughout the region
  - Provide policy direction
- Two standing teams rotating on a weekly basis
- Plans and Logistics Trailers
- Over \$200,000 of equipment purchased with grants and team budget and revenues from state mobilization



### **CURRENT STATUS**



- Inter-local agreement, bylaws and operating guidelines adopted
- Website created <u>www.nwimt.org</u>
- 18 agencies have signed Inter-local
- Seeking additional jurisdictional partners from throughout the NW Region
- Team trains quarterly
- Assigned geographic area of responsibility for wildfire response

### STAFFING NWIMT



- Tremendous training opportunity for individuals & their agencies
- Obligation to deploy staff and provide insurance during incident when NWIMT agrees to deploy
- Team members come from member agencies
- Agencies may be asked to pay some training costs

### COSTS

- Costs and revenues will be shared by all Members
- Budget approved annually
- Formula for cost sharing
  - Based on per-capita population for cities, counties & tribes at .05 per capita / year
  - Based on agency operating budget for special districts
    - <1 million = \$250/year
    - >1 million = \$500/year

